

## ONCE RICH; NOW PAUPER

A Millionaire for Five Short Years, Then Bankruptcy and Big Debts.

### SPECULATION IN COTTON

John Campbell Smith Took Short While to Finish His Uncle's Fortune.

NEW YORK, May 14.—John Campbell Smith, residing at No. 29 West Sixty-ninth Street, who was formerly a paper merchant at No. 12 Nassau street, and who inherited more than \$1,000,000 five years ago, filed a petition in bankruptcy yesterday with liabilities of \$3,318 and assets doubtful. The assets consist of 3,150 shares of stock of the Chelsea Paper Manufacturing Company, of no value; a quarter interest in two lots at Hastings, N. Y., value unknown; a possible reversionary interest in the estate of Richard A. Smith, value unknown, and a remainder interest in one-quarter of the residuary estate of John Campbell, value unknown, both dependent on the petitioner's survivorship.

His debts are principally for jewelry, silverware, furs, dry goods, clothing, harness, etc. He owes \$1,037 for jewelry to the following creditors: Tiffany & Co., \$1,037; G. H. Smith, \$2,339; Black Starr & Frost, \$1,200; Theodore B. Starr, \$2,225; and Schuman's Sons, \$100. Theodore B. Starr has a suit pending against him to recover the claim. He owes \$2,165 for furs to C. C. Shayne & Co., who have taken judgment, and he owes C. G. Gundersen \$240 for furs. For dry goods he owes \$235. For men's furnishings goods he owes \$311 and for clothing about \$1,700. For automobile storage and repairs he owes \$240.

Mr. Smith's summer home is at Bayshore, where he owes \$119 for electrical work, \$573 for repairs on building and for carpenter's work. He was a member of the Olympic Club of Bayshore, and he owes \$213 for dues. His largest creditor is Amy F. Smith, to whom he owes \$25,000 for borrowed money.

The petitioner, who is about thirty-six years old, was employed as a salesman in the paper business by his granduncle, Augustine Smith, who died in January, 1887, leaving a large fortune. Mr. Smith inherited from his granduncle more than \$1,000,000. On April 1, 1891, he became a partner in the firm of E. S. Ryder & Co., and on January 1, 1898, he became a partner in the firm of Augustine J. Smith & Co., paper merchants, at No. 132 Nassau street, from which firm he retired, it is said, February 1, 1904. At the office of that firm it was announced yesterday that Mr. Smith had not been a partner for a long time.

In the trade it is said that Mr. Smith lost a large part of his fortune in cotton and copper. Besides the paper business, he was interested in many outside enterprises. He was treasurer of the American Automatic Lubricator Company, president of the Roushott Cais Company and a director of the Stuyvesant Company. His residence, No. 29 West Sixty-ninth street, is said to belong to his wife.

### FEMINE HEADGEAR.

The Importance of Going to Many Milliners.

"When I hear of a woman who goes always to one milliner," said one of two girls who were rolling along in the east wind from Central Park in a victoria yesterday afternoon, "I always feel sort of sorry for her. A girl ought to realize that she needs a change in the style of her hats just as she does in the color."

"If she will take the trouble to find out the latest place to go to, she can tell just what she wants for every kind of appearance she wants to make. Now, if I want a hat to wear to dinner in the evening and afterward to a box in the theatre, where I know all the women are going to be very much dressed, I should not think of going anywhere but to Francine's. She makes the most chic and daring hats of that kind. I know perfectly well when I have one of them on that I look just as Parisian as I possibly can."

"But, of course, I wouldn't want a hat like that to wear into the country, to drive, for instance, and go to the races or the country clubs. For the hat to wear on such occasions I would go straight to Folkestone-Buck."

"She brings a lot over from London, and if she doesn't have what you want to make up what you want that will have the real out-of-door, sporty atmosphere that a country hat should have. So, if it's anything English that you want, you should go to her."

"But for a little morning hat I should go to an American milliner. They know better than all the others what the women here want. With the French hat there is an endless monotony of bluffs and cherries, and the only variation is in the color of the straw or the velvet bows."

"I takes the New York woman to make the smart walking hat for the day-time; and I always go to one of them for that article.—New York Sun."

### "UNCLE JOE'S" BOOM LOST WITH TRUNKS

A Chicago special to the New York Herald says: The Cannon Vice-Presidential boom is lost. "Uncle Joe" himself is authority for this. Likewise, two of the Speaker's trunks are on the missing list.

Mr. Cannon, before leaving Chicago at one o'clock this afternoon for his home in Danville, discovered that his two trunks were gone. Search of the Auditorium Hotel baggage room, inquiries at the station and the transfer office failed to give a clue as to their whereabouts.

As he was hurrying to the depot he was asked for an expression on the political situation.

"Not a word," answered the Speaker, with emphasis. Then he added: "I've lost my two trunks. I think the Vice-Presidential boom is in one of them."

Speaker Cannon indulged in a few adjectives, then smiled at the thought of the loss of the Vice-Presidential boom and proceeded on his way.

### To Harness the Tides.

The Wilmington Messenger, copying an article from The Chronicle about the coming of the electric power from the Catawba, thinks that the Electric Channel at Writheville Beach may offer a possibility to Wilmington. This is a narrow, shallow, very much in the nature of a canal, through which the tide from the sea flows and ebbs with great swiftness. There is no such thing as getting a fall of water at sea level, but this channel, with its swift and powerful current, is the best thing to it. So strong is the tide that there is no stemming it. The idea is not utilization of sea wave power, which has often been expounded for no purpose, for there are no waves in the channel. It would simply be a problem of utilizing the current, which with the swiftness of the Niagara rapids—runs in, then runs out. And sort of a plan to use the power of the tide to run a sort of a double, back action concern—one to catch the tide as it comes, and one to catch it as it goes out. The power is there. How to harness it is a problem in which we hope The Messenger will in time be able to interest the brains of some mechanical genius.—Charlotte News.

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Train leaves Richmond 10:20 A. M. daily, with parlor car.

## STRANGE USE OF WEALTH

Mr. Morrison-Fuller Buys Newspaper and Phonograph to Publish His Views.

### ALL OVER A COLLEGE GIFT

Feeling Money His Wife Had Given Was Not Properly Applied, Mr. Fuller Made Fight.

Last Sunday's New York Sun contains a special from Macon, Mo., giving an interesting interview with Rev. William Frost Bishop, a brother of Captain Carter R. Bishop, of Petersburg, and once pastor of the Presbyterian Church at Ashland, Va. The article is as follows:

"I never lay awake at nights thinking what I'd do with a few million dollars if I had them to spend just as I liked," remarked Dr. W. Frost Bishop, of Glasgow, Mo., who occupied the Cumberland Presbyterian pulpit here last Sunday, "but I can tell how a fellow citizen of mine is enjoying the solution of that happy problem."

"When I went to Glasgow last October to take the pastorate of the Presbyterian Church there I found a most peculiar situation. Mr. Morrison-Fuller, a gentleman who had come into the possession of princely means through a happy marriage, had arrayed himself against certain interests of the town, and was expressing his vigorous opinions through newspaper columns for the purpose of a photograph operated at nearly all hours of the day, and by cartoons drawn by artists imported from St. Louis and other large cities."

In the quaint but eminently aristocratic and cultured town of Glasgow is the once famous Pritchett Institute, founded by an educator of that name. Mrs. Bernice Morrison-Fuller was one of the trustees and a most ardent friend of old Dr. Pritchett, who is yet living at Glasgow, but by reason of his age is not the active head of the institution he founded.

"She donated \$3,000 for two chairs, specifically naming them. The president, it is alleged, used the money otherwise, thinking the institution could be strengthened by a more general distribution of the gift."

"Many thought the president took the more businesslike course, and approved it. Mr. Morrison-Fuller did not. Neither did her husband, because her wishes were his law."

"There are three weekly papers in Glasgow—the Missouriian, the Echo and the Globe. Mr. Fuller wrote an article concerning the controversy about his wife's gift. It was said to be of an unusually animated character."

"All the papers declined to print it, even as an advertisement. The last office Mr. Fuller visited with his literary offering was the Globe. The editor sadly shook his head."

"It won't do, Mr. Fuller," he said, "my patrons wouldn't stand for it."

"BOUGHT THE PAPER."

"Well," replied the writer of the unavailable manuscript, "what'll you take for your shop?"

"You're joking."

"Mr. Fuller pulled out his check book and fountain pen. He dated the check and wrote in the owner's name."

"What figure shall I write in?" he asked.

"The published of the Glasgow Globe sat down and thought a few minutes, and then stated a sum to cover everything."

"As soon as Editor Fuller took charge there were doings in the Globe office. Every advertisement was taken out of the forms and the type returned to the cases."

"In his salutatory Mr. Fuller announced that everybody who owed the Globe anything could consider the debt discharged. He didn't want any man's money, and he would not take advertisements because he had other use for the space."

"He sent for good artists, and told them to observe carefully the features of certain prominent citizens, for the purpose of reproducing them for the benefit of the present and oncoming generations. Then he'd suggest situations that struck him as effective in attracting attention. And they proved so decidedly."

"The vitrol-charged columns backed up the pictures. The aristocracy of Glasgow began reaching for its Globe with tongues while those who escaped its darts congregated on the street corners and read it with much merriment."

"The artists' salaries, Mr. Fuller, in addition to their work for the paper, they were constantly depicting the city officers, bankers and those of high rank in humorous situations for the edification of pedestrians."

"A large and loud phonograph was added to Mr. Fuller's battery, and from its depths were talked or sung his views on the city administration and its friends. Then it was turned loose at certain hours daily to a laughing crowd."

"There was an unflinching market in Mr. Fuller's print mill for gold, strong verve that wrapped around the subject. And the subject was those who were not the editor's friends."

LOOKED LIKE BRYAN.

"That was the situation when I arrived there. Of course, Mr. Fuller had friends who stood by him, and two had been friends of mine. I made up my mind to try to smooth the thing over, and decided to call on Mr. Fuller at his residence."

"He lived in baronial magnificence about four miles out in the country. I was told I could not secure an audience with him, or if I did that I would be insulted. I took the chance."

"The footman told me Mr. Fuller did not receive visitors. I persisted, and Mr. Fuller, hearing me, came to the door and invited me in. I was pleasantly surprised at his gracious greeting."

"He looked a great deal like William J. Bryan in face and build, but some seven or eight years younger. His eyes were clear and sparkling and he had a most engaging personality."

"I was informed that he was a grandson of Dr. William A. Smith, the founder of the Randolph-Macon College of Virginia. As I am from Virginia, we had a subject we could both discuss with freedom and enthusiasm. I found him to be a highly educated gentleman and apparently devoid of eccentricity."

"There was a touch of romance in his marriage. His mother was a widow and he lived with her. When Mrs. Bernice Morrison woke one morning and discovered she had inherited \$1,000,000 from a wealthy relative, she requested the widow to act as her chaperone while touring Europe and completing her education. Mrs. Fuller stipulated that her son should be a member of the party."

"The heiress promptly agreed to the condition, and while the young folks were acquiring a knowledge of the Old World mysteries, that of another sort, equally pleasant and mysterious, came to them. When they decided to get married she wanted him to take her name, Morrison, but he thought it best for her to take his name. They compromised by using both names, with a hyphen between, and got an order of the court to that effect."

"My interview with Mr. Fuller was a very pleasant one. He explained that he had been denied the privilege of presenting his views about the use made of the endowment fund of his wife and that he resolved to get a hearing."

STANDS BY HIS FRIENDS.

"One of Mr. Fuller's friends was a Mr. Burch, cashier of the Harrison Bank. For some cause Mr. Burch lost his position. He sued the bank, and at the trial it developed that Burch's too friendly relations with Mr. Fuller had something to do with his removal. The jury disagreed."

"At that time Mr. and Mrs. Fuller were on their way to Europe. A copy of the paper was made him all the more earnest in championing Burch's cause. He rolled up his sleeves and went to work for his friend, and the result was that at the next trial Burch obtained a verdict against the bank that had removed him."

"The Mr. Fuller told his friend to pick out and rent or buy the best building in town he could get for a bank and that he would start one with unlimited capital. I understand that this has been done and that the furniture for the bank is now on its way to Glasgow. It will probably be one of the most gorgeously equipped country banks in Missouri. Mr. Burch will be the manager."

"It is a characteristic of Mr. Fuller's to stand loyally by his friends. He is neither a crank nor a freak, but is thoroughly determined to follow to the end any cause he adopts."

"What he does has the warm approval of Mrs. Fuller. There is an aged sister, the boy died to-day in agony, frothing at the mouth. Physicians regard the development of hydrophobia from a dog's claw as remarkable. The wound was cauterized and healed a month ago. Last night convulsions came on and the boy was hurried to a hospital."

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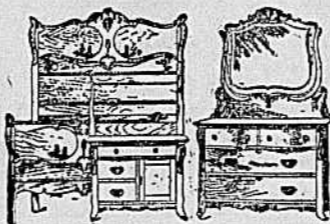


This Go-Cart stock comprises the best numbers of the three largest factories in America; latest improved gear, finest construction.

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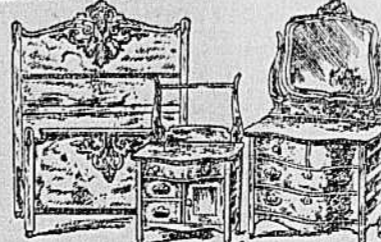
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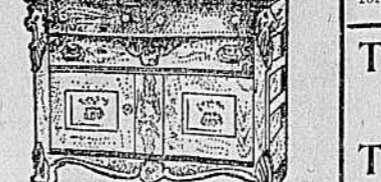
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### Death From Dog's Scratch.

PHILADELPHIA, May 14.—A scratch on the cheek from a dog's claw caused the death of Charles Hammer, aged six, the boy died to-day in agony, frothing at the mouth. Physicians regard the development of hydrophobia from a dog's claw as remarkable. The wound was cauterized and healed a month ago. Last night convulsions came on and the boy was hurried to a hospital.

### ST. LOUIS EXPOSITION. SPECIAL RATES VIA C. & O. RAILWAY.

The sale of tickets to St. Louis, Mo., and return for the Exposition will commence April 25th; \$21.50, good for fifteen days; \$25, good for sixty days; \$31.50, good until December 15th.

Special coach excursion May 24th, \$4 round trip.

On Tuesday, May 24th, the Chesapeake and Ohio will sell coach excursion tickets to St. Louis, Mo., and return at rate of \$18, tickets good for ten days, including date of sale.

Special attention paid to special parties.